



## INTERIOR BOARD OF INDIAN APPEALS

Vernon H. Wright v. Acting Sacramento Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs

27 IBIA 235 (03/08/1995)



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS  
INTERIOR BOARD OF INDIAN APPEALS  
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VERNON H. WRIGHT,	:	Order Docketing and Dismissing
Appellant	:	Appeal
	:	
v.	:	
	:	Docket No. IBIA 95-62-A
ACTING SACRAMENTO AREA DIRECTOR,	:	
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,	:	
Appellee	:	March 8, 1995

On December 15, 1994, the Board of Indian Appeals received a notice of appeal from Vernon H. Wright, pro se. Appellant sought review of a November 21, 1994, decision of the Acting Sacramento Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs (Area Director; BIA), concerning appellant's request that BIA notify the Business Committee of the Rincon San Luiseno Band of Mission Indians that its Ordinance 94-03 was in violation of the Band's Articles of Association. The Superintendent, Southern California Agency, denied appellant's request. The Area Director affirmed the Superintendent's decision, noting, inter alia, that the issue raised by appellant was an internal tribal matter.

Under Board decisions, it appeared likely that the appeal must be dismissed either because appellant lacked standing to bring it or because the Board lacked jurisdiction over the matter. Therefore, the Board ordered appellant to show why his appeal should not be dismissed. To assist him with his response, the Board sent him copies of relevant Board decisions, i.e., Feezor v. Acting Minneapolis Area Director, 25 IBIA 296 (1994), and Wells v. Acting Aberdeen Area Director, 24 IBIA 142 (1993).

Appellant requested an extension of time in which to prepare his response. He also requested copies of other Board decisions. The Board granted these requests.

Appellant's extended time for filing his response was February 6, 1995. No response has been received.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority delegated to the Board of Indian Appeals by the Secretary of the Interior, 43 CFR 4.1, this appeal is docketed and dismissed.

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Anita Vogt  
Administrative Judge

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Kathryn A. Lynn  
Chief Administrative Judge